RCRA Corrective Action Environmental Indicator Forms Addendum

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EJ Site?

NPL Site?

BRAC Site?

GPRA Baseline?
X

EJ Site?

Near-bankrupt?

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Agencies Involved in Remedial Oversight (Mark an "x" at the left of the boxes that apply:)						
	DTSC Site Mitigation - Region		Federal CERCLA	X	RWQCB - Region 2	
	DTSC Permit Unit - Region		Federal RCRA		Other (specify)	

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Site Summary:

Barnes Hind has owned this site since 1955 and operated an ophthalmic products research and manufacturing facility from 1955 to 1989. In 1993 the name changed to Pilkington Barnes Hind. Pilkington Barnes Hind is the potentially responsible (PRP) party for the releases at this site although the current occupant of the facility is Reliance Technical Services. Keith Roberson is the RWQCB project manager.

RWQCB has issued an order compelling investigation and cleanup. An RI (remedial investigation) was conducted for both soil and ground water. Concentrations of TCE detected in soils were below levels of concern, hence remedial measures for soils have not been required. Recently, PCE was detected on the eastern side of the on-site building during an environmental assessment. This was subsequently confirmed by investigations which were performed by Mohawk Laboratories (another facility with environmental releases). The extent of this PCE contamination has not been characterized.

This facility is one contributor to a larger, multi-facility regional ground water contamination plume. During the previous analogous review in 1997, the facility was operating one on-site extraction well while the complexities of a multi-facility groundwater plume were being addressed. As of 1998, this extraction well has been shut-off. Legal counsel for the facility is currently claiming that contamination is not originating from the facility and has petitioned the Regional Board to rescind their Cleanup and Abatement Order. The RWQCB has already rejected this claim and is convinced that releases of VOCs have occurred from the Pilkington Barnes Hind site. Pilkington Barnes Hind is appealing this decision to the State Water Board.

CA 725 Current Human Exposures Under Control

Current Human Exposures Under Control Determination ("x" appropriate box)		If determination is NO or IN , the likelihood of achieving Els by 2005 is ("x" appropriate box):		
	YES		Likely by (insert year)	
	NO	Х	Unlikely	
Х	IN (Insufficient information)		Difficult to determine	
	No determination was made			
If determination is YES , it falls under the following categories: ("x" all that apply)		If determination is NO or IN , it falls under the following categories: ("x" all that apply)		
	Final stages of C/A		Early stages of C/A	
	Stabilization measures implemented	X	Indoor air issues	
	No groundwater contamination		Abandoned, near-bankrupt	
	Undergoing redevelopment		Technical limitations Please specify (complex hydrogeology, contaminants, large area):	
	Other:		Uncooperative	
			Administrative delays	
			Other:	

For sites with **NO** or **IN** determinations, provide a description of the next steps which will be taken to achieve the Current Human Exposures EI:

The review team is concerned that this site is unlikely to satisfy the GPRA goals by 2005. Legal counsel for the facility is claiming that contamination is not originating from the facility and has petitioned the State Board to rescind their Cleanup and Abatement Order. The review team recommends that the facility demonstrate that indoor air is not adversely impacted. The review team recommends that the facility adopt institutional controls for exposures to construction workers or demonstrate that such controls are unnecessary.

CA750 Migration of Contaminated Groundwater Under Control

Migration of Contaminated Groundwater Under Control ("x" appropriate box)		If determination is NO or IN , the likelihood of achieving Els by 2005 is ("x" appropriate box):		
	YES		Likely by (insert year)	
Х	NO	×	Unlikely	
	IN (Insufficient information)		Difficult to determine	
	No determination was made			
If determination is YES , it falls under the following categories ("x" all that apply):		If determination is NO or IN , it falls under the following categories ("x" all that apply):		
	Final stages of C/A		Early stages of C/A	
	Stabilization measures implemented		GW/SW issues	
	No groundwater contamination		Abandoned, near-bankrupt	
	Undergoing redevelopment		Technical limitations, Please specify (complex hydrogeology, contaminants, large area):	
	Other:		Uncooperative	
			Administrative delays	
		X	Other: co-mingled plume	

For sites with **NO or IN** determinations, provide a description of the next steps which will be taken to achieve the Migration of Contaminated Groundwater Under Control EI:

The review team is concerned that this site is unlikely to satisfy the GPRA goals by 2005. Legal counsel for the facility is claiming that contamination is not originating from the facility and has petitioned the State Board to rescind their Cleanup and Abatement Order. The review team recommends that the facility characterize the full nature and extent of their releases to groundwater including, at a minimum, the lateral and vertical extent of TCE and PCE both on and off-site. The review team recommends that the facility stabilize the migration of contaminated groundwater.